TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 3459 – SB 3245

March 10, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014756): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes the Health Equity Commission to elect a chair, vice chair, and other officers from its membership and establishes the term for citizen members. Requires the Commission to report once per legislative session on its activities, findings, recommendations, and proposals. Expands duties of the Commission to ensure health equity for minority and vulnerable populations. Deletes the duties of the Commission pertaining to the study of certain aspects of the TennCare program. Requires the Commissioner of Health to report on the performance of duties and responsibilities of the Tennessee Office of Minority Health at least annually.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

State Expenditures – Net Impact – Not Significant

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- There will not be a change to the number of members of the Commission or any of the reimbursement to the Commission. Many of the provisions of the bill as amended will codify the current practices of the Health Equity Commission and will not result in a significant fiscal impact.
- Any decrease in expenditures for the Commission to report to the General Assembly once a legislative session instead of annually will not be significant.
- There will not be a significant increase in expenditures for the Commissioner of Health to report annually to the Commission.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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